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101	740	201 370	Utility filing fee	
106	330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
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114	160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

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	Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	46	-20** = 11	18.00	198.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	10	-3** = 3	88.00	264.00

	Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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105	130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216 200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243 230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	740	249 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279 370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: : November 18, 2004
Charles T. Rettner et al. : Group Art Unit: 2651
Serial No.: 10/026,029 : Examiner: Glenda P. Rodriguez
Filed: December 18, 2001 : San Jose, California

Title: **OPTICAL APERTURE FOR DATA RECORDING HAVING
TRANSMISSION ENHANCED BY SURFACE PLASMON RESONANCE**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 26, 2004

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as specified herein.

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